Inter-Am - Internatl. R-B

HERNANDO de LAVALLE
President
Edificio San Pedro, 301
Lima, Peru
WILLIAM ROY VALLANCE
Secretary General
MIGUEL S. MACEDO
Treasurer
HENRY F. BUTLER
Assistant Treasurer
Assistant Secretaries General:
ENRIQUE GARCIA SAYAN
Beytia 377-of. 201
Lima, Peru
DANTES BELLEGARDE
Port-au-Prince, Haiti
LUIS J. CREEL LUJAN
S. Juan de Letran 9
Despo. 501-2
ENRIQUE DOLZ
Manzana de Gomez 416
Habana, Cuba
MARIO TAGLE VALDES
Banco de Chile
Santiago, Chile
OSWALDO TRIGUEIRA
Rua Mexico 164
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

INT

INTER-AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

ORGANIZED MAY 16, 1940

MANUEL FERNANDEZ SUPERVIELLE, Cuba
EDMUNDO DE MIRANDA JORDAO, Brazil
CARLOS SANCHEZ MEJORADA, Mexico
OSCAR DAVILA L, Chile
Honorary Presidents

HEADQUARTERS OFFICE
314 Portland Bldg., 1129 Vermont Ave.,
WASHINGTON 5, D. C.
Telephone: REpublic 5771

Executive Committee
GEORGE MAURICE MORRIS
Chairman
ALBERTO BLANCO
CAMILO de BRIGARD SILVA
HERNANDO de LAVALLE
MIGUEL S. MACEDO
D. L. McCARTHY, K. C.
ALBERTO ULLOA
HAROLDO VALLADAO
WILLIAM ROY VALLANCE

Library

September 3, 1946

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
Hyde Park
New York

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

It is a pleasure to transmit herewith the English text of an address prepared by Dr. J. Honorio Silgueira of Buenos Aires, Argentina, second President of this Association, for delivery at our Fourth Conference held in Santiago, Chile, October 20-29, 1945. Owing to the disturbances in Argentina incident to the Peron election campaign, the Argentina lawyers were not able to attend our meeting. The achievements of your distinguished husband, however, were recognized in the following resolution adopted by the Conference:

THE INTER-AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION RESOLVES:

That this Conference renders homage to Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the great lawyer for mankind and for nations.

Very sincerely yours,

William Roy Vallance

WILLIAM ROY VALLANCE
Secretary General

Inter-Amer

Translation of address, prepared by Dr. J. Honorio Silguera of Buenos Aires, Argentine, Second President of Inter-American Bar Association, for delivery at the Fourth Conference of the Inter-American Bar Association held at Santiago, Chile, October 20-29, 1945.

Gentlemen:

This Conference, composed of representatives of all the countries on this Continent, should not, indeed it must not, begin without at least one of these raising its voice to offer a double homage, obeying a just impulse and representing the general sentiment, which is both a token of solidarity and an act of consecration in this solemn moment of history--a double homage, I say, to the United States of North America and its most outstanding leader, Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

To the Republic of the United States, because of the creative talent, the moral tone, the sacrifice and extraordinary effort it has been proved that it has, and has put into force in order to free the world from a new subjection and also to free America from the danger of an eclipse of the western civilization, of which we here have become the keepers, an effort which has placed the United States of America as the leader and a light among the foremost nations of the world.

This Conference, whose character is specifically for topics concerned with the law, should not and must not convene without causing to resound throughout its halls and to echo throughout the boundaries of our extensive lands, as if voiced by Olympic bugles, the name of President Roosevelt, Leader of Liberty, true exponent of democracy, citizen-leader of all of the Americas.

Neither, finally, gentlemen, should nor must the Conference commence its deliberations without recalling and exalting the courageous participation of Canada — now come to strengthen the organization of the twenty-one countries of this Continent, in the victory of the free people of the world; likewise the unselfish collaboration of Brazil, that ever makes for itself a greater place in our sympathy and in our hearts; and also for the participation of Mexico, with its heroic aviator pilots in the Pacific: all brave champions in this epic crusade which has saved humanity.

Gentlemen: let us raise our prayers to heaven, in praise and gratitude for these four sister nations and for the already immortal memory of Roosevelt, the model president of contemporary times.

In closing, let us not forget, gentlemen, that we have the pride of America, a common heritage of all, that we have, in the words of Alberto Palcos, an Argentine writer, what I have repeatedly stated, "Two patriotisms closely united and firm, the one born of love for this land where first we saw the light, and the one sprung from the continental community, geographic and historic", wherefore it may be said that "he who loves his fatherland, will love America, and he who does not love America, will not love well his own land."

It is for this that President Alessandri, well-known continental authority, exclaimed recently at a Festival for Peace, "America, one fatherland, one destiny, one inalienable faith."

Finally, let us not forget that among the peoples of this part of the world, there should not longer be "foreigners", as was proclaimed at the Fifth National Bar Conference of Argentina in 1940. Foreigners—a word that should be abolished definitely from our lexicons; since all, and among all, we should be solely Americans.

Gentlemen, let me shout from the bottom of my soul, speaking for all of you, "United States of America, Brazil, Canada, Mexico, America, America forever more."

And this cry, which should also be heard in the more distant parts of the world, carries on its waves the longing, the desires, the hopes that the victory of liberty and democracy in the world, and especially in America, may be a tangible reality, not a misleading imitation, so that, for all time, an end may be put to the tyrannies, dictatorships, concentration camps, totalitarian governments, exasperating imprisonments, to the tortures that have humiliated and wounded the innermost self of the human being by suppressing security, subjecting rights and institutions to the protection of measures they were wrongly permitted to sign at Chapultepec and San Francisco.

Contemplate the panorama of America and you will behold that in some parts of its enormous territory, Liberty grieves, Thought is silenced, and Democracy is in mourning. In the name of the Lawyers, the men of law, of fate, of the destiny of the nations, our strong protest and condemnation.

J. HONORIO SILGUEIRA

~~Charles~~

Twice give the summarized reports of the discussion groups of the Int. Assembly of Women to the Secy Gen for his for any action he cares to take

ORIGINAL RETIRED FOR PRESERVATION

International Assembly of Women

Called by National Women's Organizations of the United States

1790 BROADWAY
Room 713
NEW YORK 19, N. Y.
MUrray Hill 3-9810

MRS. FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT, Sponsor
MRS. ALICE T. McLEAN, Chairman

STEERING COMMITTEE

Mrs. E. C. Carter, Chairman
Mrs. John Bauman
Mrs. Vera M. Dean
Mrs. Henry F. Grady
Mrs. Elinore Herrick
Mrs. Miles Kinsey
Miss Louis D. Lasker
Mrs. Burnett Mahon
Mrs. Alice T. McLean
Mrs. Ryer Nixon
Mrs. C. Reinold Noyes
Miss Frances Perkins
Miss Josephine Schain
Mrs. Mary Steele Ross
Dean C. Mildred Thompson
Mrs. Quincy Wright

October 25, 1946

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt
29 Washington Square
New York City

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

As Chairman of the Steering Committee of the International Assembly of Women, I am forwarding to you a copy of the summarized reports of the discussion groups.

It was suggested that some of the findings might be brought before the proper commissions, and that you be the one to present them. I do not know if this is possible, but I would depend upon your knowledge and your concern to guide you in doing the best thing.

The Steering Committee recognizes that these findings are incomplete and that they deal with many suggestions which the Assembly, through its various committees and commissions, is already dealing with. However, I think it will be enlightening to the secretariat to find that the activities of the United Nations are not yet well known throughout the world, and it may encourage them in their efforts to educate the important countries in the activities of the United Nations committees and commissions.

Your visit to South Kortright was an inspiration, and may I personally thank you for your great contribution.

~~Sincerely yours,~~
Alice T. Carter
Mrs. Edward C. Carter
Chairman, Steering Committee

SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS

American Association of University Women • American Legion Auxiliary • American Medical Women's Association, Inc. • American Women's Voluntary Services • Association of Junior Leagues of America • Camp Fire Girls • Congress of Women's Auxiliaries of the C.I.O. • General Federation of Women's Clubs • Girl Scouts • The National Board of the Y.W.C.A. of the U.S.A. • National Congress of Parents and Teachers • National Council of Jewish Women • National Council of Negro Women • National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs • National Home Demonstration Council • National League of Women Voters • National Women's Conference of the American Ethical Union • National Women's Trade Union League of America • United Council of Church Women.

ORIGINAL RETIRED FOR PRESERVATION